

# COUNTY OF PLACER NORTH TAHOE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF NORTH TAHOE REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL April 12, 2018 – APPROVED May 10, 2018 North Tahoe Event Center, 8318 N. Lake Blvd, Kings Beach, CA

#### 1. Call to Order

ROEDER called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM. A quorum was established. MEMBERS PRESENT: Roeder, Chillemi, Lutkemuller, McFadden, and Hill

MEMBERS ABSENT: Fulda, Jewett, and Lyans STAFF PRESENT: Romack and Friedman

#### 2. MAC Member Introductions

## 3. Approval of Agenda CHILLEMI/HILL/UNANIMOUS

## 4. Approval of Minutes of March 8, 2018 CHILLEMI/HILL/Carried with abstentions from LUTKEMULLER and MCFADDEN

### 5. Reports:

## A. Supervisor/Tahoe Field Representative Reports

Romack announced the Sustainability Plan Public Workshop is scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. The first meeting of the Capital Projects Advisory Committee (CAP) is scheduled for May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 PM. Both meetings will be held at the Kings Beach Event Center. After the initial meeting, the CAP will meet the last Thursday of each month at various locations.

Placer County is hosting free Hazardous Waste and Mattress Take Back drop-offs.

The North Tahoe Fire Protection District, Placer County Sheriff's Department, and several other California and Nevada agencies are participating in a Bi-State Evacuation Drill on May 19.

The Board of Supervisors has appointed Maggie Steakley to NTRAC.

#### **B.** Community Reports

JJ JANSEN of Placer County's CEOs office announced the Placer County Tahoe Permitting Process Improvement Workshops scheduled for April 18 and 19.

NICHOLE HESSION introduced herself as the new Placer County Sheriff's Office Community Services Officer.

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The MAC is composed of appointed community members whose purpose is to advise the Board of Supervisors about activities and problems of the area represented. Residents are encouraged to attend and talk about issues important to them. More info at www.placer.ca.gov/bos/macs. Placer County is committed to ensuring that persons with disabilities are provided the resources to participate fully in public meeting. If you require disability-related modifications or accommodations, including auxiliary aid or services, to attend or participate in this meeting, please contact the Board of Supervisor's Office.

VALLIE MURNAME introduced herself as the new Tahoe City Public Utility District Parks and Recreation Director.

## **C. NTRAC Member Reports**

No reports were given.

#### 6. Public Comment

There were no comments on items not on today's agenda.

#### 7. Information Items

A. Tahoe Resource Conservation District: The Tahoe Resource Conservation District (TRCD) is a non-regulatory, grant-funded, local agency that works in the Lake Tahoe Basin to help protect land, water, forests, wildlife, and related natural resources. This presentation will provide more insight on the TRCD. Presenters: Nicole Cartwright, Executive Director, and Harold Singer, Board Member, Tahoe Resource Conservation District

CARTWRIGHT described what the Tahoe Resource Conservation District is and the projects they are involved with including prevention and control of Aquatic Invasive Species, Landscape Conservation, and Fire Adapted Communities. TRCD has a Joint Powers Agreement with the Tahoe Conservation Partnership to provide restoration services in the basin. Most of TRCD's funding comes from state and federal sources. New initiatives include land acquisition, the Polaris Creek Feasibility Study, and a lakewide CEQA process to further address invasive species.

B. Countywide Park & Trail Master Plan: County staff will provide an update on the progress of the Countywide Park & Trail Master Plan, which is expected to be complete in late 2018 and will guide recreational development and operation in Placer County for the next 10 years.

Presenters: Andy Fisher and Ted Rel, Placer County Parks Division

FISHER presented results of the first-ever Placer County Park & Trail Master Plan. He reviewed the data collected via surveys. Almost 85% of adults in the County participate in some sort of recreational activity. Trails for walking, biking, and hiking topped the list of currently used and additional amenities. Of those responding, 62% rated funding parks and recreation as an "essential" or "high" priority for the County's budget. Preserving and investing in existing facilities rated about the same as identifying new opportunities.

FISHER reported priorities from respondents in Tahoe included making trails available year round, building a recreation and aquatic center, and a covered sports pavilion. FISHER showed maps of existing and planned trails for the County in general and this area specifically. More information and updates can be found at placerparksplan.com

The next steps include additional public input on the Implementation and Finance Plan and a full EIR of the report. FISHER hopes to implement the Plan in 2019 as a General Plan Amendment.

FISHER answered questions clarifying his report. In response to a question from MCFADDEN, he said the grand opening for the Dollar Point Trail should be this summer. An environmental review of the next span to the North Tahoe Regional Park should be started this summer. CHILLEMI voiced concern about trails terminating in residential areas and the resulting traffic and parking issues.

HILL asked about the crosswalk to access the new Dollar Hill Trail from the south side of Highway 28. RYAN DECKER explained the location of the crosswalk, which will include a flashing pedestrian light and refuge island that can be removed in the winter.

There was no public comment on this item.

C. Regional Bikeway Plan Update: The Placer County Department of Public Works and Facilities (DPWF) and the Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA) is partnering to update the Placer County Regional Bikeway Plan which identifies the future bikeway improvements proposed in the unincorporated areas of Placer County and integrates bikeway planning efforts of the six incorporated cities to create a regional bikeway system. Staff will present an overview of the recommended bikeway network for your information and feedback. Presenters: Aaron Hoyt, PCTPA and Stephanie Holloway, DPWF

HOYT discussed what PCTPA is. He described the work being done to gather information about existing bike trails and lanes in order to complete recommendations for the Regional Bikeway Plan. A survey was conducted to gauge where and what bikeways are needed, including the variety of uses from commuting to recreation. The draft report will be released in May and presented to the PCTPA Board for action in June.

LUTKEMULLER asked how a bike lane on SR 89 would impact existing and potential traffic issues with the new development. HOLLOWAY said the County is always looking at ways to become multi-modal and promote alternative means of transportation. This plan identified bikes as another method of transportation to be considered.

ROEDER asked if the "bikeway," as opposed to "bike trail" relates to transportation, not recreation. HOYT said the previous presentation from FISHER connects to the work being done by PTCPA, but bikeways are more focused and are on roadways, not dirt or separated paved trails.

A brief discussion followed clarifying the presentation. There was no public comment.

#### 8. Action Item

A. Verizon Wireless Cellular Facility Conditional Use Permit (PLN15-00201): Placer County Planning Division staff is requesting MAC action on a Conditional Use Permit (PLN15-00201) to allow for the construction of a

cellular facility. The proposed facility will consist of the installation of a 75-foot tall monopine (80 foot with foliage) and a diesel generator on a portion of the Brockway Golf Course, west of the parking area and maintenance building. The proposed tower and associated equipment will be contained in a 30 foot by 30 foot lease area enclosed by a 10-foot-tall fence. The MAC is being asked to make a recommendation to the Planning Commission on the proposed CUP. Presenters: Steve Buelna, Planning Services Division, Placer County

BUELNA presented the request for a Conditional Use Permit for a new cell tower on the Old Brockway Golf Course. This item will be heard by the Planning Commission on April 26. BUELNA showed a site map and photo simulations of the tower and maintenance building. Fencing will be installed for security and the area will be screened by foliage. The backup generator is well within sound requirements. BUELNA discussed the components considered during staff review. The project will need to go before Design Review and TRPA. The applicant, ANDREW LEESA, said Verizon recognizes this area has substandard cell coverage. This will improve service to the public and emergency responders. He described the newer technology being used for this tower, which is data-driven compared with previous analog. The reach is a bit less, but more efficient.

Discussion followed as the proposal was clarified, including how visual concerns are being addressed and decibels of the generator. There was general agreement that there is a need for upgraded service and wider coverage.

CHILLEMI noted the short time frame for consideration of this project and voiced concern that there was not adequate time for the public to be notified of tonight's presentation. HILL agreed. She wants to make sure that all safety issues are being considered and a variety of constituents, including the neighbors, are being heard. LEESA said FCC requirements call for third-party engineers to confirm emissions are compliant with regulations.

There was no public comment.

Motion to recommend approval of the Conditional Use Permit for a cellular facility as proposed. LUTKEMULLER/MCFADDEN/Carried with CHILLEMI voting no.

### 9. Future Agenda Items

• Base to Base Gondola

10. Adjournment at 7:45 PM to next regular meeting on May 10, 2018 at the Tahoe City PUD Offices, 221 Fairway Dr.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Friedman, Recording Secretary